

Early Notice and Public Review of a Proposed Activity in a 100-Year Floodplain

To all interested Agencies (Federal, State, and Local), Groups and Individuals:

This is to give notice that Johnson County Housing Services has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for Making Determinations on Floodplain Management, to determine the potential effect that its activity in the floodplain and wetland will have on the human environment for HOME Investment Partnership program under M-19-DC200206. The project consists of new construction of sixty (60) affordable housing units (fourteen (14) fourplex buildings and two (2) duplex buildings). The total square footage of the buildings will be approximately 60,000. The scope of the project will include land acquisition of approximately 14 acres, excavation/grading, new construction of sixteen (16) buildings, utility connections, paving, landscaping and other activities generally associated with new construction. The project is expected to be completed in two phases. According to the Flood Insurance Rate Map for the project site (Panel Number 20091C0104 G, effective August 3, 2009), the northern portion of the parcel is infringed by the Future Conditions 100-year Floodplain (Flood Zone x), and the remainder of the parcel being outside the Future 100-year Floodplain. A total of 4.12 acres have been identified as a Future Conditions 100-year floodplain. The proposed project(s) is located north of West 174th Street and east of Kill Creek Road in Gardner, Johnson County, Kansas.

There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains or wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information about floodplains and wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains or wetlands, it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Johnson County Housing Services at the following address on or before June, 8, 2020: Johnson County Housing Services, 12425 West 87th Street Parkway, Suite 200, Lenexa, KS 66215 and 1(913)715-6601, Attention: David Ward, Director of Housing Services, during the hours of 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Comments may also be submitted via email at David.Ward@jocogov.org.

Date: May 22, 2020

